

ABSTRACT

(R. Andrews, 9-76)

Kaylor Building

circa 1880s

121-123 West Washington Street

Hagerstown

Washington County

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON: Kaylor Building				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 121-123 West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments Offices _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Mr. and Mrs. Omar T. Kaylor, Jr. (Jean J.)				
STREET AND NUMBER: 123 West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown		STATE: Maryland		21740
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Washington County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: 95 West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 467-23				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION			
CONDITION	(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
	(Check One)		(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE			
<p>The Kaylor Building stands at 121-123 West Washington Street in Hagerstown, Washington County, and is located on the south side of the street near the center of the block formed by Summit Avenue and Prospect Street.</p> <p>The building is a late nineteenth century brick structure which sits tight to the sidewalk and neighboring buildings. Three stories high, the building has a rectangular shaped facade (north side) which is terminated at the top by a bracketed cornice and has a circa 1900 commercial front at the street level. The upper two stories of the facade appear to be fairly original in condition and have three segmental arch window openings with louvered shutters and pedimented entablatures on each level. The upper level facade bricks are laid in Common bond with a varying number of rows of stretchers to a single row of headers. The exterior walls readily visible from the sidewalk are painted.</p> <p>The facade windows of the upper stories have double-hung, wooden sashes with segmental arch top sashes. The second story windows are long with two-over-four sashes while those of the third story have two-over-two sashes. The third story windows also have scalloped skirt boards. Each of the six facade windows now have aluminium "storm" windows mounted over them.</p> <p>An iron balcony nearly the length of the facade runs along the base of the second floor windows and has an ornate balustrade and four ornate iron support brackets underneath.</p> <p>The facade cornice has a plain freize and large end brackets with a series of modillions between and a low center pediment at the top. In the pediment panel is foliated decoration.</p> <p>The street level of the facade has rock-faced blocks and a large window of multiple lights and classical influence. The window itself may date later than the circa 1900 period. Entrance to the building is through a doorway in the western end of the facade. The doorway has a large transom of one light, recessed doors, and a flat arch above.</p> <p>The interior of the first floor has been extensively altered over the years.</p> <p>NOTE: The facade bricks on the eastern edge of the second story appear to be tied into the building at 115 West Washington Street meaning that the two buildings may have been erected at the same time, but there is no evidence that the Kaylor Building underwent extensive alteration.</p>			

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

circa 1880s

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Kaylor Building is a three stories high late nineteenth century urban brick structure which probably was erected about the 1880s as a residence. The building is significant primarily because the upper two stories of the facade (north side) appear to be in fairly original condition, thus standing as an important artifact of Hagerstown's architectural history.

Unfortunately, few historical facts of the building are known. Some speculation suggests that the structure actually dates from the 1820s or 1830s period and was extensively remodeled in the late nineteenth century, as is the case of a number of buildings in downtown Hagerstown. No evidence, however, exists to support this theory. The basic stylistic and construction features of the second and third stories of the facade are similar to those characteristic of the 1880s period in Hagerstown.

The Kaylor Building was probably originally a house. Throughout the nineteenth century, this block of West Washington Street was primarily residential in use. By the close of the century, the eastern end of the street, the section nearest to Public Square, was growing more and more commercial. It would have been the 1900-1910 period when the present rock faced commercial front was added to the Kaylor Building. With the combined original upper stories and later ground floor front, the facade of 121-123 West Washington Street is a physical record of the development of the downtown region.

The property is described in an 1883 deed as containing a "large brick dwelling house" which could be the existing building (Deed Book 83, p. 646). The property is the western half of Lot No. 92 as delineated on the 1869 Downin plat of Hagerstown.

(SEE CHAIN OF TITLE)

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records, Courthouse, Hagerstown, Maryland.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

The property measure approximately 26' x 240'.

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Preservation Consultant (mbe)		DATE Sept. 10, 1976
ORGANIZATION City of Hagerstown		
STREET AND NUMBER: City Hall		
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown	STATE Maryland	

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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Hagerstown
Washington County, Maryland

HISTORICAL CHAIN OF TITLE (Washington County Land Records)

Book 467, p. 23

15 February 1968

grantor: Gilbert W. Hovermale, Trustee

grantee: Omer T. Kaylor, Jr. and wife, Jean J.

Book 467, p. 22

15 February 1968

grantor: Omer T. Kaylor and wife

grantee: Gilbert W. Hovermale

Book 414, p. 255

1 October 1964

grantor: Charles C. Grice, executor of estate of Cora Belle Hoff

grantee: Omer T. Kaylor

sum: \$30,000

Book 163, p. 557

23 September 1922

grantor: Daniel E. Hoff

grantee: Cora Belle Hoff

Book 138, p. 552

1 April 1912

grantor: Clarence Keedy

grantee: David E. Hoff

consideration: \$16,500

Book 123, p. 679

10 April 1906

grantor: Annie R. Ulrich

grantee: Clarence Keedy

Book 86, p. 72

3 June 1884

grantor: Thomas H. Crampton, Trustee

grantee: Samuel Ulrich

Book 83, p. 646

2 January 1883

grantor: Zachariah S. Claggett and wife Jane R.

grantee: Thomas A. Crampton, Trustee

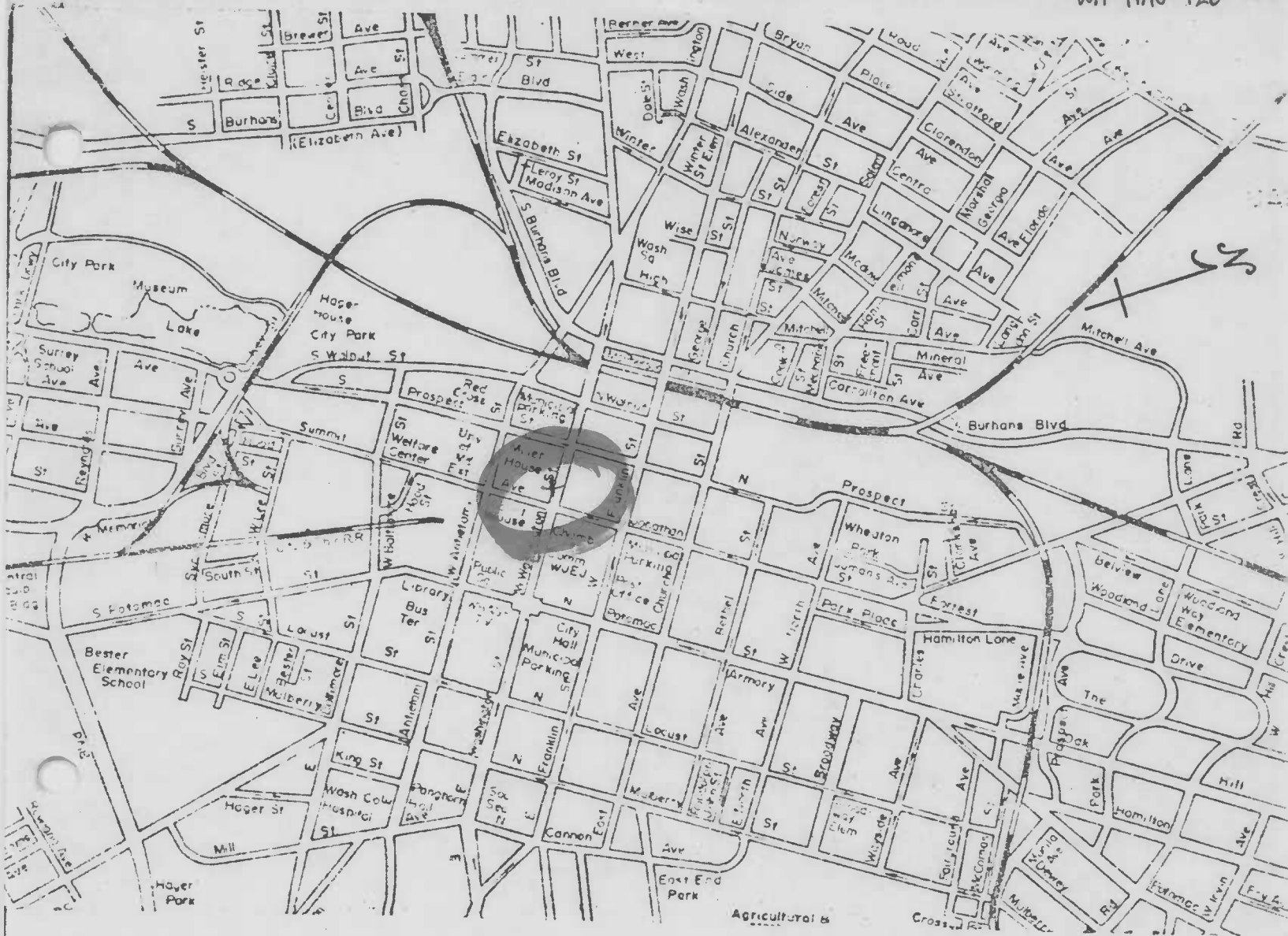
improved by a "large brick dwelling house"

Book L.B.N. #1, p. 627

9 March 1867

grantor: William T. Hamilton and Andrew K. Syester

grantee: Jane R. Claggett



SITE: Kaylor Building
121-123 West Washington Street
Hagerstown
Washington County, Maryland

map: City of Hagerstown,
Washington County, Md.
City Engineering Dept.
July, 1970
scale 1"=1200'



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Kaylor Building

121-123 West Washington St

Hagerstown

Washington Co., Maryland

NW view

June 1975

RONALD L. ANDREWS